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RONNIE MUSGROVE

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Editor and Publisher
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The DeSoto Appeal
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Publisher
The Picayune Item
P. O. Box 580
Picayune, MS 39466

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P. O. Drawer 1068
Starkville, MS 39760

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Publisher
The Sun-Herald
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Gulfport, MS 39535

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Vicksburg Post
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General Manager
WLOX-TV
P. O. Box 4596
Biloxi, MS 39535

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WAPT-TV
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Jackson, MS 39289

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Jackson, MS 39284-8887

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Jackson, MS 39215

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